

REMARKS

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Hamilton for the helpful discussions on August 31 and October 10, 2007. During the discussion of August 31, 2007, Applicants Representative showed the Examiner the original Reissue Consent which did have the required box filled indicating the attached 3.73(b) Statement. The Examiner agreed that the original Reissue consent was correct. A copy of the original Reissue Consent is attached.

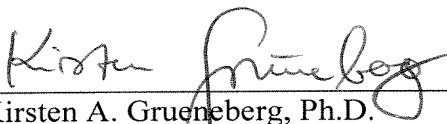
In order to obviate the Rejection of the claims under 35 USC 251, Applicants submit herewith a Supplemental Reissue Declaration. See MPEP 1444 I which states that "In reply to the rejection under 35 USC 251, a supplemental reissue oath/declaration must be submitted stating an error under 35 USC 251 which can be relied upon to support the reissue application." The Examiner had agreed in the discussion of October 10, 2007 that the error stated is sufficient and acceptable.

Thus, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 251 should be withdrawn.

Applicants submit that the present application is now in condition for allowance and early notice of such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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